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House of Representatives

The House met at 12:30 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. JACKSON of Illinois).

DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
July 14, 2008.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JESSE L. JACKSON, Jr., to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

MORNING-HOUR DEBATE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the order of the House of January 4, 2007, the Chair will now recognize Members from lists submitted by the majority and minority leaders for morning-hour debate.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until 2 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 31 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess until 2 p.m.

□ 1400

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. JACKSON of Illinois) at 2 p.m.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer:

On this Monday in July, Lord, Congress seeks Your blessing as it gathers

to take up its work of policy and legislation for the United States of America.

The problems facing the Nation, the concerns of its citizens, as well as life itself, will not be settled with simplistic solutions. Since the light of truth is sought in every corner of economic darkness, and energy is needed to sustain every aspect of contemporary life, we stand humbly before You admitting our limitations.

Lord, give the Members of the House of Representatives the ability to listen intently to differing opinions and respond creatively. May their faith in You be strong enough to stretch every self-interest to the broader vision of the common good, expecting Your intervention in ordered routine or Your radical twist to basic intent.

Thus may all seek Your wisdom to guide this government and this Nation now and forever.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Texas (Mr. POE) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. POE led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following commu-

nication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, July 14, 2008.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on July 14, 2008, at 12:42 p.m.:

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 4289.

That the Senate passed S. 1046.

That the Senate passed with an amendment H. Con. Res. 236.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,
LORRAINE C. MILLER,
Clerk of the House.
(By Deborah M. Spriggs, Deputy Clerk).

CONGRATULATIONS TO DR. HARRIS PASTIDES

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, on Friday, the Board of Trustees of the University of South Carolina unanimously selected Dr. Harris Pastides as the 28th president of the university since 1801. Prior to his being selected as president of USC, Dr. Pastides had been Vice President for Research and Health Sciences. His appointment completes a long and thorough selection process chaired by Trustee Miles Loadholt of Barnwell, and I commend the university on their extraordinary work in choosing a strong and capable individual to lead the university.

As an alumnus of USC law school, I cherish the relationship the university

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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